

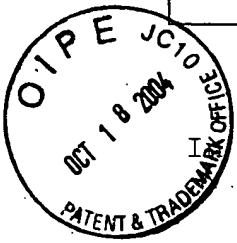
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Serial No.: 10/612,940
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.99 and 1.248, the following Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within two months from the date of publication of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/612,940. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the references submitted.

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LIST OF RELATED DOCUMENTS CITED BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)				Applicant: Tanaka et al.			
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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date if Appropriate
	AA	6,734,364B2	5/11/04	Price et al.	174	117	2/20/02
	AB	5,678,609	10/21/97	Washburn	138	107	3/6/95
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	AD	4,638,117	1/20/87	Ney	174	117	6/14/85
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month	
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1401	340	2401	170	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	300	2403	150	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee	
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